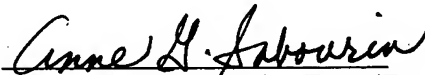


## REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are now pending in the application. The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependent claims to reduce filing costs and to conform the European claims to US patent practice. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification and claims as originally filed. New claims 31 and 32 find basis in original claims 7 and 26, respectively. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 948-2021.

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